

The Wyvern: Your weekly digest of Team Aviano news, information and on-base activities

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The Wyvern is a weekly digital publication detailing events and news across Aviano Air Base. To submit for publication, click [here](#). Deadline for submission is **noon** the Thursday before distribution.

Aviano Top News

POW/MIA events, Sept. 14-18

Several events are scheduled for POW/MIA Recognition Week to honor 83,115 missing or captured service members. For a full list of events and times, click [here](#).

Sport physicals, Sept. 16

Annual sports physicals will be provided by the 31st Medical Group from 1 to 4 p.m. at the pediatric clinic. Patients will be seen on a walk-in basis and must be accompanied by an adult. Patients are reminded to make a separate appointment to address medical issues not pertaining to sports clearance. To sign up, call 632-5000. For more information, click [here](#).

Bella Befana Bazaar sign ups, Sept. 9-25

The Bella Befana Bazaar committee needs volunteers and food donations. To sign up, visit the Base Exchange on Monday, Wednesday or Friday between 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. To volunteer, click [here](#). To donate food, click [here](#). For more information, click [here](#) or email bbbvolunteer15@gmail.com.

Base Events

FSS weekly events

Click [here](#) to find information about weekly 31st Force Support Squadron events at locations around base to include the La Bella Vista Club, Aviano Youth Programs, Alpine Golf Course and more.

FSS Snapshot

Click [here](#) to find information about monthly 31st Force Support Squadron information and events.

Grief-recovery classes, Sept. 14-Sept. 21

The base chapel office will host free grief-recovery classes every Monday from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. at the Refuge, Bldg. 1467 on Area F. For more information, call Chaplain (Capt.) Matthew Gallo at 632-5211.

VA Benefits specialist meetings, Sept. 14-25

Emily Avila, Veteran's Affairs Benefits specialist, will be available for appointments at the Health Promotion clinic, Bldg. 1466 on Area F. Avila will advise on VA Benefits programs, services and will help individuals submit claims for disability compensation. For more information or to make an appointment, [email](#) or call Avila at 632-7801.

Hispanic Heritage Month opening ceremony, Sept. 15

The Hispanic Heritage Month opening ceremony will begin at 11:30 a.m. at the Exchange on Area F. The event will include free food samples. For more information, email [Tech. Sgt. Luz Rodriguez](#).

Reconnection workshop: Exploring stress and trauma, Sept. 17

The Aviano Red Cross will host a free and confidential reconnection workshop from 5 to 7 p.m. Modules presented will help service members and their families readjust after a deployment. To register, email aviano@redcross.org. For more information, click [here](#).

Pass and Registration, Reports and Analysis closure, Sept. 17

Pass and Registration and Reports and Analysis will close at noon for training. For more information, call 632-4858.

31 MDG closure, Sept. 17

The 31st Medical Group clinic will close at noon for training. The clinic closes every third Thursday of the month to conduct training.

Post Office closure, Sept. 17

The Aviano Post Office will close at 12:30 p.m. for training. For more information, call 632-3196 or 632-7119.

SAPR training events, Sept. 17

The Sexual Assault Prevention and Response office will host a 90-minute brief from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at the theater on Area F. The brief is mandatory for all active duty, GS, and full time non-appropriated funds employees who have not yet attended. For more information, email [Kelly Wilds](#) or call 632-6010.

8-step problem solving course, Sept. 18

An 8-step problem solving course will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the 31st Maintenance Squadron training facility on the 2nd floor in Hangar 3 on Area F. The training is designed to cultivate an innovative, critical thinking culture to improve the way Airmen work. It is open to all base personnel. For more information or to register, visit the manpower office, [email](#) or call 632-7672.

NCO Professional Enhancement seminar Sept. 23-25

The career assistance advisor will host a NCO Professional Enhancement seminar from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the education center. All staff sgts. are welcomed to attend. For more information or to sign up, call Master Sgt. Sarah Mayersky at 632-4480.

Space-A briefing, Sept. 25

The 724th Air Mobility Squadron will host a Space-Available briefing at 10 a.m. at the Aviano Passenger Terminal on Area F. For more information, call the terminal at 632-7680.

'Wee Sign' class registration open

The New Parent Support Program will host "Wee Sign" sign language classes for parents and their children, ages 3 and younger, every Wednesday, during the month of Oct., from 3 to 4 p.m., in Bldg. 108 on Area 1. For more information or to register, click [here](#) or call 632-5667.

Aviano Headlines

[Wyvern Warrior of the Week](#)

Airman 1st Class Andrew Harris

[Aviano hosts Dutch helicopters for training](#)

For the first time, a Dutch air force Defense Helicopter Command composite squadron of approximately 200 personnel, three CH-47 Chinooks, four AH-64 Apaches and four AS532 Cougars visited Aviano Air Base, Italy, for mountain flying training operations.

[IPE Airmen protect, provide, prepare equipment](#)

Airmen from the 31st Logistics Readiness Squadron individual protective equipment office constantly update inventory logs, sign out IPE to incoming Airmen and maintain equipment.

[Keeping the pressure on point](#)

U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 31st Maintenance Squadron Aerospace Ground Equipment flight, service support equipment used on the flightline.

[Getting on 'track': Planning for the next chapter of life](#)

For most people the thought of change gives them chills. These individuals bask in the luxury of their comfort zones and pay little attention to the sad reality that a new chapter in life is always on the horizon.

[Aviano youth practice scoring goals](#)

Team Aviano youth members practiced soccer fundamentals, during "Smart Start" and team training, Sept. 8, 2015 at Aviano Air Base, Italy.

[Hickory dickory dock: Crew chiefs work around the clock](#)

This year so far has been demanding as Aviano's missions were heard roaring across skies all over the world from Turkey to Afghanistan, and all the way to Sweden

Other Notable Information

Chapel schedule newsletter

Click [here](#) to find information about the chapel worship schedule and upcoming events.

Red Cross newsletter

The Aviano Red Cross offers several health and safety classes throughout the month. The Volunteer Corner is a newsletter highlighting monthly Red Cross events. For more information on events, volunteering or to read the newsletter, click [here](#) or call 632-5576.

Aerospace physiology monthly newsletter

The “Phiz Biz” provides information on various human performance topics, such as hydration, exercise, nutrition, supplements, heat threats, cold threats and human factors. To find out more information, click [here](#) to read this month’s issue.

Reel Time movies

For a complete list of upcoming movies and show times, click [here](#).

Sept. 17: “Ricki and the Flash” at 7 p.m.

Sept. 18: “Black Mass” at 7 p.m.

Sept. 19: “Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials” at 2 and 6 p.m.

Sept. 20: “Black Mass” at 7 p.m.

Chapel job openings

The base chapel is looking for a Protestant and Catholic religious education coordinators. For more information on both jobs, click [here](#) or email [Staff Sgt. Enrique Gonzalez](#).

Chapel trip

The chapel is organizing a trip to Israel. For more information, email [Senior Airman Nora Villapando](#).

Pathway to purity classes

Chaplain (Capt.) Matthew Gallo is hosting a men’s only “Pathway to purity” class each Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. at Mulligan’s Grill. For more information, [email](#) or call 632-6074.

Aviano Seadragons swim team

The Aviano Seadragons swim team is looking for swimmers in elementary, middle and high school. Additionally, the team needs volunteers to help coach. Swim practices are from 3 to 4:50 p.m. For more information, email avianoseadragons@gmail.com.

Housing brief time change

Housing briefs for newcomers will now be from 3 to 4 p.m. on Thursdays in the Safety classroom in Bldg. 1413 on Area F. For more information, call 632-2272.

Postal Customs Declaration forms change

Customs Declaration forms will transition to an electronic format Oct. 1. Paper copy customs forms will still be available at the post office, but are required to be entered into

the USPS system at the service counter. To alleviate wait times, patrons are encouraged to complete customs forms for their packages [online](#). For more information, call the post office at 632-4086.

New driver's license test

The safety office is conducting a new, two-part test for Airmen requiring an AFI driver's license. The proctored test has a minimum passing score. Parts one and two will be conducted on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the safety classroom in Bldg. 1413. Current AFI license holders do not have to take the new test. For a study guide, click [here](#). For more information, click [here](#) or email [Tech. Sgt. Jarrod Miller](#).

Hispanic Heritage Month meetings

The Hispanic Heritage Month committee will host planning meetings every Thursday at 3:30 p.m., at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. All are welcomed to attend. For more information, contact [Tech. Sgt. Luz Rodriguez](#).

Fitness centers new hours

The Wyvern and Dragon fitness centers' hours of operation have changed. For current hours, click [here](#). Additionally, the Wyvern fitness center is open 24/7 to registered users. For registration information, click [here](#).

Women's health clinic walk-in hours

The women's health clinic provides walk-in appointments for specific services during the week from 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. at the clinic. For more information, click [here](#).

MFLC lunch-and-learns

The Military Family Life Counselor hosts free lunch-and-learns every first and third Thursday of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. The topics include, deployment reintegration issues, relationship skills and stress management. For more information, call the MFLC at 349-566-6285.

EDIS playgroup

Educational and Developmental Intervention Services hosts a free playgroup for all children under three years old on Mondays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the outdoor EDIS playground. For more information, call 632-5459.

IPE out-processing

The Individual Protective Equipment hosts base wide out-processing on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1 to 3:30 p.m. in Bldg. 933. For more information, call 632-7229.

BEWELL nutrition

The Health Promotion Office hosts a free BEWELL nutrition brief every Tuesday from 8 to 9 a.m. in Bldg. 1466. For more information, call Kevin Egger at 632-4583.

Additionally, job hunters can use the following links to view available base vacancies: For federal positions, click [here](#).

For nonappropriated funds positions, click [here](#).
For Army and Air Force Exchange Service, click [here](#).
For Upcoming Job fairs, click [here](#).

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